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QUOTED BELOW IS A MEMORANDUM FROM THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE:

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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

SUBJECT: PROPOSED VISIT OF THE NATO MBC

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THE MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY BUDGET COMMITTEE (MBC) TO MAKE A 10 TO 14-DAY TOUR OF US MILITARY INSTALLATIONS DURING MAY 1979. THE NUMBER OF VISITORS INVOLVED WILL BE APPROXIMATELY 25 TO 30.

THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY IS DESIGNATED AS EXECUTIVE AGENT TO PLAN AND IMPLEMENT THE VISIT. DIRECT COMMUN-

ICATION IS AUTHORIZED WITH USNATO 3RUSSELS AND

NATO AGENCIES AS NECESSARY TO DEVELOP AN APPROPRIATE ITINERARY FOR THE TRIP. FUNDING OF TRANSPORTATION AND OTHER COSTS WILL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ASD/COMPTROLLER MEMORANDUM OF 2 DECEMBER 1968, FINANCING COSTS RELATED TO HOSTING FOREIGN DIGNITARY VISITS. THE MBC WILL FINANCE ITS OWN TRANSATLANTIC TRAVEL. TRANSPORTATION TO SELECTED MILITARY INSTALLATIONS WITHIN THE US WILL BE BY SAM AIRCRAFT.

THE EXACT DATES OF THE VISIT WILL BE PROVIDED LATER. CANADIAN AUTHORITIES HAVE INDICATED THEY MAY WISH TO INVITE THE MBC TO CANADA, EITHER "MMEDIATELY BEFORE OR AFTER THE US VISIT.

OASD/ISA ACTION OFFICER IS MR. JOSEPH MILLER, EXTENSION 71386.

SIGNED C.W. DUNCAN, JR. END QUOTE. CHRISTOPHER

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